



DIRECT TAXES PROFESSIONALS' ASSOCIATION

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Ref.No.DTPA/Rep/20-21/22

Dated: 24th February, 2021

To,
Smt.Nirmala Sitharaman,
Hon'ble Finance Minister
Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India
North Block, New Delhi-110001
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Sub: Humble Request to consider extension in the dates of filing of GST Annual Return GSTR 9, 9A and Reconciliation Statement GSTR 9C

Respected Madam,

Established in the year 1982 and with the present strength of over 1725 members comprising of Chartered Accountants, Advocates & Tax Practitioners, we "DIRECT TAXES PROFESSIONALS' ASSOCIATION" feel great pleasure in introducing ourselves as one of the premier professional Association in Kolkata. We have been organizing seminars and conferences on topics of professional interest and have also been sending representations to the Government on various economic and taxation issues.

At the outset, we thank you for fully appreciating the problems faced by Trade, Commerce and Industry and allowing necessary extensions in all compliance matters from time to time.

1. Filing of GST Annual Return (GSTR-9, GSTR 9A) and Reconciliation Statement (GSTR 9C)

Respected Madam, we appreciate that the Due Date of filing of above mentioned Returns/Statements related to F.Y. 2019-20 has been extended from 31.12.2020 till 28.02.2021. However due to various reasons as mentioned below, it is almost impossible to file all the GST Annual Return and Reconciliation Statements within 28th February 2021:

- Reconciliation Statement Form GSTR 9C for f.y. 2019-20 was made available for filing to all stakeholders towards the end of December. The Government suo moto had extended the deadline from the then existing 31.12.2020 to 28.02.2021

The extended due date of filing of GSTR 9 and 9C for f.y. 2018-19 was 31.12.2020, so only two months were allowed for filing of GSTR 9 and 9C for f.y.2019-20 as against 9 months originally allowed in the statute.

- Moreover all stakeholders presumably have just finished their Income Tax compliances (viz. Income Tax Returns, TDS Returns etc.) under Income Tax Act 1961 and ROC Compliances under Companies Act, 2013 by 15.02.2021


- So practically only 13 days were left for the taxpayers and professionals to prepare for the GSTR9 and 9C for FY 2019-20 after 15.02.2021, within which it is almost impossible to comply.

Hence we humbly request you to allow filing of GSTR 9, 9A and 9C for the F.Y. 2019-20 at least till 31st March 2021 and kindly waive the late fees and penalty till then.

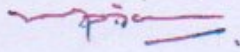
Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For DIRECT TAXES PROFESSIONALS' ASSOCIATION



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President



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Chairman
Rep. Sub-Committee



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